

III. Remarks

Claims 1-41 were originally filed in the present application. In response to the restriction requirement of the Office Action mailed September 29, 2005, Applicants elect Group I, corresponding to original claims 1-28 and cancels claims 29-41.

As provided above, Applicants elect Group I and further elect Species II, corresponding to Claims 1 and 3-27. Claims 2 and 28 are withdrawn.

It is believed that all matters set forth in the Office action have been addressed. Favorable consideration and an early indication of the allowability of the claims are respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner deem that an interview with Applicants' undersigned attorney would expedite consideration, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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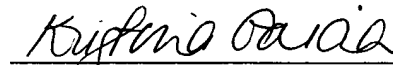
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